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# REGULAR MEETING AGENDA TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2006 PAUOA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 7:15 P.M.

# STATE, CITY & COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS, OMPO, AND OTHER AGENCIES

State, City & County Elected Officials, OMPO, and other agencies are encouraged to bring ample copies of their published reports to the scheduled Neighborhood Board meeting, or to deliver them to the Neighborhood Board Commission (Attn: Chair – NHB #12, Honolulu Hale, 530 S. King Street, Suite #400) NO LATER THAN September 18, 2006 (Monday). Reports submitted will be distributed to Board members, and extra copies provided will be made available for attending guests.

# CITIZENS/COMMUNITY CONCERNS

- Citizens are encouraged to contact their elected neighborhood Board members regarding their issues. (See Neighborhood Board No 12 Directory as published on the City's website below).
- Citizens are encouraged to submit written requests (for agenda consideration), 21 days prior to future Neighborhood Board meetings to: Chair – NHB #12, Honolulu Hale. 530 S. King Street, Suite 400, Honolulu Hi 96813.
- Neighborhood Board Members are encouraged to immediately notify and/or forward citizens/community
  concerns received by them to the CHAIR, for timely implementation and referral towards bringing concerns
  to a closure. The intention of the Chair is to circumvent a "bottleneck effect" in addressing
  citizens'/community concerns at future Neighborhood Board Meetings.

The Chair requests that board members <u>NOT BEING ABLE TO ATTEND</u> this scheduled board meeting to call him <u>BEFORE 4:00 P.M.</u> at <u>688-7337 or 527-5569</u>. If it is determined by the Chair that the board will not have a quorum, the meeting will be **CANCELLED**. All invited quests listed on the agenda will be notified. Citizens wishing to attend the meeting may call the Chair at **688-7337**, to confirm <u>if</u> the meeting will proceed as scheduled.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR: AL CANOPIN, JR.
- 2. LETTER FROM NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION OFFICE Executive Secretary Joan Manke RE: Quorum
- 3. VACANCIES:
  - A. Subdistrict 1 (one seat) vacated by Leimamo Kapea
- 4. HONOLULU FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT
  - Honolulu Fire Department (HFD)
  - Honolulu Police Department (HPD)
    - 1) District 1 Honolulu
    - 2) District 5 Kalihi



# 5. BIRTHDAY RECOGNITION AND CELEBRATION FOR NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD MEMBER HEATHER MULLINS CRISLIP

#### 6. STATE OF HAWAII EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Honorable Governor Linda Lingle, or her representative:
 Mark Bennett (State Attorney General)

#### 7. CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU EXECUTIVE BRANCH

- Honorable Mayor Mufi Hannemann, or his representative:
   Gail Haraguchi (Deputy Director of Enterprise Services)
  - A) Town-Hall Meeting for Nu'uanu Valley
  - B) Kapaloala Place
  - C) Outstanding issues Inventory of Community Concerns

#### 8. CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Honorable Councilmember Rod Tam

#### 9. STATE OF HAWAII LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

- Honorable Senator Carol Fukunaga
- Honorable Senator Suzanne Chun-Oakland
- Honorable Representative Sylvia Luke
- Honorable Representative Corrine W.L. Ching

#### 10. PAUOA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- 11. CLEARWIRE PRESENTATION Matt Miura (5 minutes)
- 12. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 15, 2006.
- 13. SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT (August & September 2006)
- 14. REVIEW THE INVENTORY/STATUS OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.
- 15. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
  - A. RATIFICATION OF PRE-ESTABLISHED LOCATION TO HOLD REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS.
- 16. NU'UANU VALLEY ASSOCIATION REPORT (Jay Fidel or Philip Nerney)
- 17. PAPAKOLEA REPORT
- 18. PAUOA VALLEY CHRISTMAS PARADE (Sylvia Young)
- 19. Resolution 06-291 (Honolulu County) Introduced by Councilmember Charles D'Jou: ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO REVIEW THE EFFECTIVENESS AND EFFICIENCY OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD SYSTEM.

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is charged with examining and reporting to the council the pertinent issues and concerns raised by audit and all other aspects of the neighborhood board system including, but not limited to: 1) Elimination of the system; ..."

### 20. ADJOURNMENT (NO LATER THAN 9:00 P.M.)

# NUUANU/PUNCHBOWL NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD DIRECTORY

### **SUBDISTRICT 1:**

**Chair** Al Canopin Jr. – 688-7337 (E) 527-5569 James Bannan – 521-5465 Richard Carreira – 537-4106 Remy Luria – (B) 538-8300

# **SUBDISTRICT 3:**

Vice Chair Paula Kurashige – 595-7094 Dean Asahina – 595-6452 (B) 845-3986 Audrey Hidano – 595-6262 (B) 847-5555 Philip Nerney – 537-1777 Jay Fidel – W) 566-2105 C)780-9254

#### **SUBDISTRICT 2:**

Secretary/Treasurer Patt Spencer – 521-2761

Vice Secretary/Treasurer Wendy Ogawa – 479-6286x216

Mason Aiona – 538-6173

Sylvia Young – 845-9022

Heather Mullins Crislip

Any person requiring accommodations to participate in this meeting may call the Neighborhood Commission Office at 523-4944

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# Nuuanu/Punchbowl Neighborhood Board Inventory of Community Concerns August 15, 2006

# ITEM # 1: Kapaloala Place Adjacent to Pauoa Elementary School Parking Lot) - January 5, 2005

#### SERVICE REQUESTED:

- Provide timetable/target start & finish dates for the proposed widening project at the location.
- Provide information regarding the source of funding for the project.
- Provide justification for proceeding with this project.
- Provide detailed map of project, and information regarding the impact upon residents at the location.
- Provide documentation of a public hearing, notification to residents in the area, acceptance by residents impacted, to include an endorsement by the neighborhood board.
- DO NOT proceed with this project without first providing the impacted property owners/residents an opportunity to express their concerns via a public hearing, etc.
- Respond to Councilmember Rod Tam's office, and to the requestor (Robert Lum) with your findings, recommendations, and intended action to be taken.

#### NOTE(s):

- Kapaloala Place is a public and private roadway.
- Residents have indicated that they DO NOT support this proposed widening roadway project.
- Inquiries and request for information regarding this project from the requestor to the Managing Director's Office and the Department of Transportation Services have been unanswered for nearly a year.

#### STATUS/Action Taken:

Memorandum – dated January 27, 2006 from Department of Transportation Services to Director Henry Eng (Department of Planning and Permitting) stated: "Department of Planning and Permitting will be preparing the appropriate response, and there is no requirement from the Department of Transportation Services.

Status: Response from the Department of Planning and Permitting is pending.

A 2<sup>nd</sup> follow-up inquiry was sent to the City Administration on March 10, 2006.

A letter (March 22, 2006) was forwarded from NHB 12 Chair to Mayor Mufi Hannemann – requesting for an expedited response.

A letter dated May 8, 2006 was signed by approximately 35 residents in the area and sent to Mayor Mufi Hannemann for a response.

A follow-up inquiry was made by Councilmember Rod Tam's Office on June 8 and July 10, 2006 to the city's Managing Director's Office.

June 14, 2006 – An Email was received from the city's Managing Director's office that a reminder has been forwarded to the Department of Transportation Services, Design and Construction, and Planning and Permitting for an immediate response.

(Ref RISR #: 135842)

### **Response Pending**

# ITEM # 2: LACK OF PARKING S. Kuakini St. (between Nuuanu Avenue and Pali Hwy.) - Request by: Representative Sylvia Luke - February 2006

SERVICE(s) REQUESTED:

There is not enough parking for area residents, and as a result, police are ticketing cars much more frequently. Please investigate this situation and see if a solution can be implemented.

**STATUS/Action Taken:** Forwarded to the City Administration via Councilmember Rod Tam's office. Response Pending.

#### ITEM # 3: EXCESSIVE SPEEDING AT PUIWA ROAD - Tara Kaneko - March 10, 2006

#### STATUS/Action Taken:

Residents have expressed their concerns regarding excessive speeding (45+MPH) on Puiwa Road. Councilmember Tam's office submitted a request to investigate the feasibility of installing a speed bump at the blind curve adjacent to 130 Puiwa Road, and/or to find another optional measure to reduce speeding in the area, to increase motor vehicle and pedestrian safety. Response from the City Administration is pending.

#### ITEM # 4: KIMO BRIDGE - (Board member Paula Kurashige)

Kimo Bridge is in disrepair, and needs work to **reduce the flooding**. No maintenance has been done on the bridge for years. The Pelekane Street Bridge also needs to be reviewed.

STATUS/Action Taken: More time is needed for investigation. Response Pending.

# ITEM # 5: PALI DRIVE - (Board member Paula Kurashige)

Pali Drive (the 1<sup>st</sup> house on Nuuanu Pali Drive off Pali Hwy), the sidewalk area is severely overgrown. Disabled persons must walk in the street to get to Pali Hwy. It's very dangerous. The house there is rented. Please assist in clearing.

**STATUS/Action Taken:** Response Pending.

# ITEM # 7: 2161 Pauoa Road - Request by: Representative Sylvia Luke

# SERVICE(s) REQUESTED:

- There is a small grassy area in front of 2161 Pauoa Road, which has become a neighborhood magnet for bulky pickup items. Many of these items are not acceptable for bulky pickup and the accumulation is becoming a safety hazard. Please have these bulky items removed as to prevent any injuries to residents in the area.
- Please investigate the feasibility of placing an official City & County "No Dumping" sign on the existing telephone pole fronting 2161 Pauoa Road.

**STATUS/Action Taken:** Forwarded to the City Administration via Councilmember Rod Tam's office. Response Pending.

# ITEM # 8: NAMILIMILI STREET - Request by: Marvin Kailikea

#### SERVICE(s) REQUESTED:

Please provide street cleaning services every Tuesday & Thursday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and
 12:00 noon on Namilimili Street in Pauoa Valley. This request stems from the excessive amount of

rubbish created by the Monkey Pod Trees at Booth Park, which is directly across Namilimili Street. For many years, the rubbish from these trees has created a great burden on the residents in the area.

- To help facilitate this street cleaning, residents are requesting the installation of "No Parking" signs on Namilimili Street, which would prohibit parking only on Tuesdays & Thursdays, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.
- A petition were signed by the Namilimili Street residents who are in favor of these measures.

#### STATUS/Action Taken:

Forwarded to the City Administration via Councilmember Rod Tam's office. Response Pending.

#### ITEM # 9: BOOTH ROAD - Request by: Councilmember Rod Tam

# SERVICE(s) REQUESTED:

City crews recently cleared some overgrowth on a stream embankment located across 2642 Booth Road.
 However, there is still a lot of overgrowth in the stream that needs to be cleared. Please have this overgrowth removed as it may contribute to flooding in this area during times of heavy rain.

#### STATUS/Action Taken:

Forwarded to the City Administration via Councilmember Rod Tam's office. Response Pending.

ITEM #10: Potential hill-slide of Pali Highway (Pauoa on-ramp & Wyllie St. off-ramp, Kailua direction). Installation of large flashing lights – Honolulu bound, Pali Highway lanes, above Oahu Country Club Road. Requested by: Arthur Haruki – April 30, 2006

STATUS/Action Taken: Each notified on May 2, 2006. mark.j.bennett@hawaii.gov senchunoakland@Capitol.hawaii.gov repluke@Capitol.hawaii.gov

STATUS: Response Pending.

ITEM#12: By Board Sec./Treasurer Patt Spencer (May 16, 2006) – Request for a delayed red, or advanced green traffic light – on the left turn unto Lusitana Street from School Street. Example: Nehoa/Auwaiolimu Street traffic lights.

**STATUS/Action Taken:** June 7, 2006 - Office of the Managing Director informed Councilmember Tam's office that this matter was referred to the Department of Transportation Services for a response.

CORRECTED RESPONSE from Melvin Kaku (Director, Department of Transportation Services): "We conducted an investigation, and our records indicate that the intersection of Lusitana and School Streets is under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation (SDOT). Therefore, a request for a delayed or advanced green traffic light on the left turn unto Lusitana Street from School Street should be referred to the SDOT for their evaluation and direct reply to you. Should you have any questions, please contact Jack Patterson of my staff at 523-4180. A "CC" was forwarded to the State Department of Transportation, attn: Rodney Haraga.

Response from the State Department of Transportation is pending.

ITEM#13: By Board Sec./Treasurer Patt Spencer (May 16, 2006) – Request for a sprinkler system on Puowaina Drive (Vacant lot where the "Welcome to Papakolea" signage is placed), and for the planting of Hawaiian plants.

**NOTE:** Funds were removed from the previous Mayor Jeremy Harris's City Administration.

# **STATUS/Action Taken:**

June 7<sup>th</sup> and 20th, 2006 - Office of the Managing Director informed Councilmember Tam's office that this matter was referred to the Department of Design and Construction for a response.

June 8, 2006 – The Chair received a phone call from the land acquisition department. Their surveyors are backlogged for approximately 12 weeks. They will attempt to expedite the process but cannot guarantee a specific timetable.

Ref RISR 158005 Status Pending.

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# ITEM #14: 2120 Star Road (Pauoa) - Mr. Edward Wu (May 25, 2006)

City crews responded to a complaint called in by Mr. Edward Wu, who is a resident of 2120 Star Road in Pauoa Valley. Mr. Wu's complaint was that a drainage canal fronting his property has been clogged with concrete. This blockage causes flooding onto Mr. Wu's property during times of rain. Mr. Wu reported that the City crews did not do anything to unclog this drainage canal.

STATUS/Action Taken:

A Request For Investigative Service Report was initiated via Councilmember Rod Tam's office to the City Administration to inquire of the following:

To state the specific reasons why the drainage canal fronting 2120 Star Road was not cleared; and to convey the City administration's specific recommendations to address this issue as to prevent Mr. Wu's property from flooding in the future.

# ITEM #15: Restroom Facility at Booth District Park – adjacent to Pauoa Road – By: Mason Aiona (June 8,2006)

Restroom facility is not being maintained properly on a daily basis. The Urinals, basins, and toilets are clogged, toilet paper dispenser is broken, and there is no supply of soap and toilet paper for public use.

STATUS/Action Taken:

Response from the Director of Parks and Recreation – Lester Chang: appropriate repairs were completed. There is a work request for painting the facility – the work will be scheduled by priority by the Maintenance Support Services. Ref RISR #159741.

# <u>ITEM #19: 2150 Tantalus Drive & Papakolea Community Park – By Papakolea Community Association</u> Reference RISR #161621 (June 30, 2006)

Request to install of speed bumps fronting the location and also to provide funds for the park maintenance of the Papakolea Community Park. (Puni Kekauoha)

The city's Managing Director's Office forward this issue to: Parks & Recreation and Transportation Services

Response Pending

ITEM #20: Booth District Park - By: Mason Aiona (July 2006)

Request Parking Signage be changed to "No Parking Monday thru Friday" to provided more parking space during the weekends.

RESPONSE: Due date has been extended through to 10/31/06. Department of Transportation Service interim response is as follows: "We are coordinating an evaluation with the Department of Parks and Recreation to determine if the parking restriction on Kanealii Avenue fronting Booth Park can be modified. We will inform you of the status of our study by October 31, 2006. Should you have any questions, call Leon Lau at 523-4676". By Melvin N. Kaku – Director, Department of Transportation Services. Ref RISR#164598.

### ITEM #21: Booth District Park - By: Mason Aiona (July 2006)

Request to install two swings that are missing from the playground area.

**RESPONSE:** Department of Parks and Recreation – Mr. Charles Allen, District Maintenance Superintendent, contacted Mr. Aiona on August 1, 2006, to inform him of the following:

The swings are scheduled to be replaced by August 31, 2006. We are also requesting to repair the resilient surface, however, we cannot provide an estimated completion date because the work needs to be contracted out.

# ITEM #22: Kimo Bridge and Pelekane Bridge - By: Paula Kurashige (11Sep06)

Submitted to Chair Al Canopin, Jr., and forwarded to the City Administration via Councilmember Rod Tam's Office.

- (1) Request to make an assessment of both bridges at the location to determine if the bridges should be rebuilt, repaired, and/or maintained.
- (2) Installation of lighting fixtures at both bridges.
- (3) Ensure funding costs are allocated in the CIP budget.

NOTE: There are concerns that both bridges are seriously deteriorated, and lighting is needed to provide a sense of security, and is of a public safety concern.

Response Pending.

# ITEM #23: Request to install a Bus Stop Bench and Litter container fronting 1615 Lusitana Street – By Councilmember Rod Tam (5Sep06)

- (1) Request to install a bus stop bench and litter container
- (2) Request to reconstruct the asphalt roadway with concrete due to it's poor foundation.

Ref RISR: 170932

Director Melvin Kaku (Department of Transportations Services) responded that a bus stop bench and litter container will be installed sometime in mid-September.

Department of Design and Construction received referral from the Department of Facility Maintenance regarding the roadway. Response from the Department of Design and Construction is PENDING.